

Editorial Meeting Minutes/Resolutions - December 5, 2023

1. **Supreme Court Appears Split Over Opioid Settlement for Purdue Pharma**
<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/12/04/us/politics/supreme-court-purdue-pharma.html>
US Supreme Court torn over Purdue Pharma bankruptcy settlement
<https://www.reuters.com/business/>
As high court weighs Purdue bankruptcy, opioid settlement divides victims
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2023/12/03/purdue-pharma-supreme-court-bankruptcy-settlement/>
2. **Ukrainian soldier admits some of the marines trying to defend a key river against Russian attack 'can't even swim'**
<https://www.businessinsider.com/ukraine-soldier-marines-trying-defend-dnipro-river-cant-swim-bbc-2023-12?r=US&IR=T>
3. **Russian army officer admits 'Our troops tortured Ukrainians'**
<https://twitter.com/BBCWorld/status/1621162035198263297>

4. **Ukrainian saboteurs reportedly poison 35 Russian soldiers in Crimea, 24 die**
Two saboteurs poisoned 35 Russian soldiers in the Russian-occupied Ukrainian city of Simferopol, in Crimea, NGO project Information Resistance reported on Dec. 2, citing Russian Telegram news channels.

Twenty-four of the Russian soldiers died from the poison, while 11 more are currently in hospital.

"According to the report, the girls treated the Russian invaders to food and vodka with arsenic and strychnine," the Information Resistance said.

"Two cute girls came to the checkpoint of the military unit and introduced themselves as locals," the [pro-Russian Kremlevskaya Tabakerka] Telegram channel quoted its source as saying.

"They brought seven bottles of vodka and some snacks: fish, sausage, bread, cheese. They told the guards that they wanted to thank our guys for everything, for protecting them. The guys took the vodka and food, drank with their colleagues and ate. And many of them got poisoned."

The women who poisoned the Russian military have not been found...
<https://news.yahoo.com/ukrainian-saboteurs-reportedly-poison-35-033700586.html>
5. **Israel expands ground operation; more than 15,800 dead in Gaza**
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2023/12/04/israel-hamas-war-gaza-news-palestine/>
6. **Girl accused of murdering Brianna Ghey claimed to be a satanist, court told**
The 16-year-old girl accused of murdering Brianna Ghey carved her boyfriend's name into her own arm and once claimed to be a satanist, a jury has heard.

Her co-defendant, a 16-year-old boy known as Y to protect his identity, told police he saw the girl, known as X, stabbing Brianna in Culcheth Linear Park, in Warrington, on 11 February, Manchester crown court heard.

In a police video interview played to the jury on Monday, the boy said the girl was "not a normal person" and she used to "joke about dead babies".

He said: "I know she has been diagnosed with bipolar disorder. She has had a history of drug use and alcohol abuse."

Asked if X “carries knives”, Y said: “No, but I know that she uses knives, she carved her boyfriend’s name into her arm and it’s still scarred on to her arm.” She was “obsessed” with her boyfriend, he claimed, and used to self-harm.

The court has previously heard Brianna was stabbed 28 times and that her blood and Y’s DNA were found on a hunting knife belonging to Y. He told police he bought a hunting knife on a ski trip to Bulgaria, and drew a picture of it.

Y said X told him she had killed two people, but added: “I’m not sure if it’s true because there’s no news about it.”

The prosecutor, Deanna Heer KC, has previously told the jury there is no evidence X is responsible for any other killings.

The boy said the girl told him she liked watching torture videos and “in Year 8 she was saying she was a satanist”.

He said: “She would joke about it: ‘I’ll stab your nan, shag your cat’.”

In his interview, Y said he was urinating against a tree when he turned around to see X stabbing Brianna. Afterwards, he said he asked X why she had done it. “She was saying how Brianna tried to break her and her boyfriend up,” the boy told police. Asked for his reaction to the news Brianna had died, Y said: “I felt like my heart stopped, just, I didn’t know how to react.”

Y claimed X stopped stabbing Brianna because she had “seen somebody”.

Asked if X had ever said she had “any sort of ill feeling” towards Brianna, Y said: “I’m not sure, she doesn’t like lots of people.”

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2023/dec/04/girl-accused-of-murdering-brianna-ghey-claimed-to-be-a-satanist-court-told>

7. A vast source of clean energy is buried deep underground. But questions remain.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/12/04/business/energy-environment/clean-energy-hydrogen.html>

8. Georgia county to use program linked to election denier to flag ineligible voters

Controversial EagleAI program connected to Trump supporter uses public records to flag people who shouldn’t be on the rolls

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/dec/02/georgia-county-eagleai-program-ineligible-voters>

Georgia County Signs Up to Use Voter Database Backed by Election Deniers

The decision ignores warnings from voting rights groups and some election experts.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/12/01/us/politics/georgia-county-election-deniers-trump.html>

Inside the right’s effort to build a voter fraud hunting tool

Experts warn that EagleAI, a database that helps voters examine the voter rolls themselves, could drown election workers in unreliable reports of ineligible voters.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2024-election/conservatives-voter-fraud-hunting-tool-eagleai-cleta-mitchell-rcna97327>